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The Situation in the Philippines.

The public may not be in possession of all the details respecting the situation in the Philippines. The administration is entitled to its secrets in so far as they may serve the government's purposes. But two things are with safety to be assumed: (1) The government thoroughly understands General Otis, and (2) General Otis understands that he will be cordially supported in every aggressive movement he may make for the establishment of American authority within the scope of his assignment. The authorities both here and there are working in harmony and to one end.

It is to be doubted if anybody thoroughly competent to speak has ever undertaken to fix the maximum figure for the American forces necessary in the Philippines. Speculation on the subject has been rife, for it has been anybody's topic. Much of this, however, has been based upon the assumption that the Filipinos have vowed a vow, and are resolved to die to a man rather than submit. That is very unlikely. They are not without the capacity to learn, and they have already remarked the difference between Spain and the United States, both as regards aggressiveness in the field and conservatism and humanity in triumph. All talk of the give-me-liberty-or-give-me-death tone ascribed to the Filipinos in their bearing toward the country which is striving to give them all the liberty they are in condition to accept, is to be dismissed therefore as imaginary or idle. It has been filtered through somebody's hat.

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Canada's Boundary Claims.

There is apparently no disposition on the part of the administration to permit the friendship now entertained for England to embarrass this government in handling the dispute with Canada over the Alaskan boundary. According to the best information the impossible conditions proposed by the Dominion government as precedents to the dispute have been promptly rejected. At the same time orders have been given for the dispatch of troops to Alaska to maintain order and prevent transgressing pending whatever settlement of the affair may be reached. The Canadian premier, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, has made a statement in the Dominion house outlining the opposing claims on the boundary question, substantially as laid down in the course of an editorial review of the case in Monday's Star. His brief was couched in the assurance that there would be no change in the Canadian attitude.

Elsewhere today is reproduced in part a Canadian map of the territory chiefly in dispute, that which controls the traffic to and from the Klondike gold fields. In the accompanying text it is stated that a Canadian official map prepared three years previous indicated the boundary as laid down by the Anglo-American convention of 1825—the basis of all present claims on both sides—in practically the same position as that in 1827 ascribed to the United States coast survey map-makers. In other words, a line which in 1884 the Canadian official topographers were willing to publish as the limit laid down by the convention of 1825 became in their minds an arbitrary boundary asserted by the United States without regard for the treaties.

It is impossible to explain this discrepancy save on the assumption that between 1884 and 1887 the Canadian estimate of the value of the Lynn canal and its adjacent territory was materially increased by reason of the rapidly developing trade of this section. For it is to be noted that on the '84 official map there was no reference to the dispute over the boundary in this vicinity and the Lynn canal and its accessory inlets were broadly ascribed to the ownership of the United States.

not be construed as the coast in the meaning of the treaty, which defines the boundary as lying between marine leagues from the coast. According to this claim the Canadian line now laid down rambles about with delightful disregard for the rational rules of geography and cuts across inlets with freedom. Conveniently choosing two accidental headlands on the Lynn canal, it becomes possible for the modern Canadian topographer to draw a line which arbitrarily shuts the United States out from a large body of what is essentially ocean water.

It is to be seen from the map in question that the issue between the countries is radical. It involves immense future values. Canada appears to be playing this game for all it is worth. Relying upon the home government to do all the heavy work in the event of war, the colony demands concessions which no self-respecting nation can grant and refuses to budge from an advanced position. Unless the government at London is willing to alienate the ultra Canadian sentiment by adopting a policy of precise justice in this affair there is no present prospect of a break in the deadlock. There are suggestions at hand of the institution of a commercial war by this country to bring her senses.

A Panorama of National Strength.

Washington's Memorial day parade was exceptionally significant because of the presence in the line of representatives of four organizations which have lately contributed to the reasonable causes of national pride. The veterans of the civil war, the District volunteers, the marines and the sailors who participated combined to symbolize the various sources of the republic's military strength. From no quarter came a more willing response to the call for troops in the Spanish-American war than from the ranks of the veterans of '61-5. Many of them enlisted and served with honor last summer. While the larger percentage of them were too old and infirm to present themselves as marching men, their country's service, yet the younger men who wear the reminiscent blue were liberally represented in various arms of the service.

The District regiment stood yesterday for the civilian soldiery which formed so important a part of the volunteer army of 1898. That campaign demonstrated clearly the value of a well-organized and particularly a well-equipped military organization. It revealed many weaknesses of the National Guard system, and furnished material for effective reforms which can but tend materially to strengthen the second line of defense. The District regiment was noted as being one of the finest volunteer organizations in the field. It early attracted attention as a compact, well-officer, well-drilled, well-selected body of men. It did good service wherever it was placed and when it went to Cuba it took up the burden of trench and guard duty as earnestly and effectively as it would have participated in the actual fighting.

The naval and marine detachments in the line, though small, sufficiently represented two branches of the service which won such marked distinction in the campaign. Nothing can exceed the enthusiasm of the people for the work of the navy. At every point it was clean-cut, effective, thorough. From Admiral Dewey down the ranks to the humblest jackie in the lists the spirit of determination and the sense of duty which underlies the efficiency of any fighting force. The men behind the American guns aroused the world to loud plaudits of praise and created new standards. Nor will this country ever forget the heroism of the marines at Guantanamo. Day after day that beleaguered detachment of brave men withstood the assaults of an enemy far superior in numbers. The taking and holding of the site of Camp McCalla aroused the people to a realization of the grim task in Cuba. It was the first real taste of the penalties of war. Previously everything had been one-sided and easy. Now came a struggle which meant death and wounds and suffering. The marines showed their true colors. They overcame foolish prejudices and awakened the people to new appreciation.

And so the parade in this city caused to pass in review four of the nation's reliances. The regular army alone was lacking. Had its representatives been present Washington would have been in miniature a summary of all the factors contributing to the victory which added to the debt yearly acknowledged on Memorial day.

Ernest Terah Hooley is not to be prosecuted on the charge of fraud. This will relieve the minds of a number of prominent Englishmen who would be eligible to places on the witness stand.

Yellow Fever in New Orleans.

A single case of yellow fever has been developed in New Orleans. The patient is dead, and the autopsy clearly demonstrates the disease. Immediately steps are taken by the health authorities of Texas to quarantine against all passengers and freight ships through New Orleans. The area is evidently immune on this score, and with good reason. Hence the instant precautions on at least one side to check the disease in its earliest stages. Were this disposition reasonably to be maintained throughout, and were the health authorities of the various states lying within the threatened area to work in harmony with the federal government, there would probably never be any pronounced epidemics of this or any other similar disease owing to interstate infection. But unfortunately the rule is otherwise. For years past the marine hospital service has striven within the limits of the laws to establish an interstate understanding which would aid in controlling these outbreaks of disease. But it has failed to secure the co-operation of health boards, which must be had to keep the disease at a minimum. First the local boards strive to maintain an independent jurisdiction. Then the various local boards get to quarreling, and the state board is incompetent to adjust the differences. Then the state boards find issues and are at loggerheads, while patients are either detained in quarantine without proper accommodations, or are permitted, through the laxity in the regulations, to slip out into new fields, while throngs of innocent people are held in check. Of late years the friction has been at a lower point, fortunately, than previously, for the folly of disorganization in a time of peril has become sufficiently apparent to the people of the threatened states to persuade them to give heed to the pleas and the commands of the federal health board. The situation becomes essentially incoherent immediately upon the discovery of a single case, for the first instinct of the frightened people is to flee far beyond danger, and this course carries them, with rare exceptions, beyond state lines. Even while the original cases are being traced to their origin, the situation must be in the hands

of men with more than local or state authority, to prevent unwise restrictions upon trade and travel, and to hold the people in hand to prevent panic. It is not to be questioned that much of the first alarm which so soon develops into unreasoning fear might be prevented were the people given to understand that their interests were in the charge of competent officials, free from any limitations and responsible only to the central government. This tendency to run away at the first alarm may, in fact, be traced to the failure of state boards in the past to corner and control the disease. This solitary case in New Orleans may not be followed by another. It is fervently to be hoped that the gulf coast will be spared an epidemic this year. Yet it must be confessed that the situation warrants apprehension. The freedom of intercourse between Cuba and the mainland during the past few months, and the laxity of some of the quarantine laws in the days of reorganization in some parts of the island, may have resulted in the importation of the germs of the disease. Only the utmost vigilance on the part of the various health boards and the fullest submission to the federal authority in all interstate phases of the situation may be relied upon with confidence to prevent an epidemic.

When the caucuses reach a decision in the speakership contest Mr. Reed can lift his voice with entire serenity to remark, "Long live the czar."

Mr. Bailey of Texas could not find the slightest constitutional objection to Gen. Wheeler's becoming governor of Alabama.

General Weyler will probably refrain from rebuking Spain for taking United States money until after it is all spent.

At the last account, there was about \$2,960,775 of that three million in Cuba still undistributed.

SHOOTING STARS.

Annoyed.

"I thought you expected some advantage from the arrival of the rainy season?"

"I did expect some advantage," answered Aguinaldo, "but there is no gain without some loss; no happiness without some sorrow."

"What's the matter?"

"I just happened to think that much of my town will probably be too wet to burn."

His Season.

He's here again, the summer. The friend with an unwavering rule. He comes at ninety in the shade. And calmly asks us to "keep cool."

Economic Perplexities.

"You say you want the government to own everything?" asked the man who was mopping his neck with a handkerchief.

"That's what I want," shouted the excited citizen. "That's exactly what I want."

"And you claim that the trusts have taken the place of the government?"

"I assert it, sir, and I'm ready to bring arguments to show I'm right."

"And the trusts own everything?"

"Yes, they do."

"Well, if they're the government and own everything what in the world are you kicking about, this warm weather?"

His Idea of It.

"Don't you fear the strong arm of the law?" asked the friend.

"Not at all," answered the pugilist who was engaged in preparations for a meeting.

"There's no doubt about the law's having a strong arm. But it's like the rest of us. It spends a great deal of time talking things over when it might be reaching for some one's solar plexus."

Delights of Knowledge.

"I suppose you get a great deal of pleasure out of scientific pursuits," said the young woman.

"I do," was the grave rejoinder. When a man is a scientist he can go about the country as much as he pleases shaking hands with people and reading papers beside having ambitions to be a presidential candidate."

The New Spanish Minister.

Welcome, Duke!

The true thing that recently we've had a few misunderstandings and

With some of our relations; and To all these things our eyes are shut.

The past has drawn its curtain o'er Events which grieved us all of yore. Let each with calm unruffled brow Strike to secure that certain now, Looking all bygone hatreds in, With friendship's solid safety-pin. Shake hands and let us take your hat And have a good old-fashioned chat, Free from suspicion or rebuke, Oh Duke!

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One of the Best Newspapers.

From the Scranton Truth.

In the progress of journalism in the United States is admirably illustrated in the career of the Washington Star, one of the best newspapers now printed anywhere.

The Star is about to erect an elaborate building on the site of its present quarters at the corner of 11th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue. The new Star building will be of white Vermont marble, 130 feet in height, and of the French renaissance style of architecture. This ornate structure will be elaborately equipped throughout, and will be one of the handsomest newspaper buildings in the country.

The Right Sentiment.

From the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

The volunteer of the 34th Michigan Regiment who walked out of church exclaiming, "Any man who takes like this is a traitor to his country and his flag, and I refuse to listen to him," represents the majority opinion in the course of his sermon to criticize the national administration for its Philippine policy, and some of its acts during the past year.

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